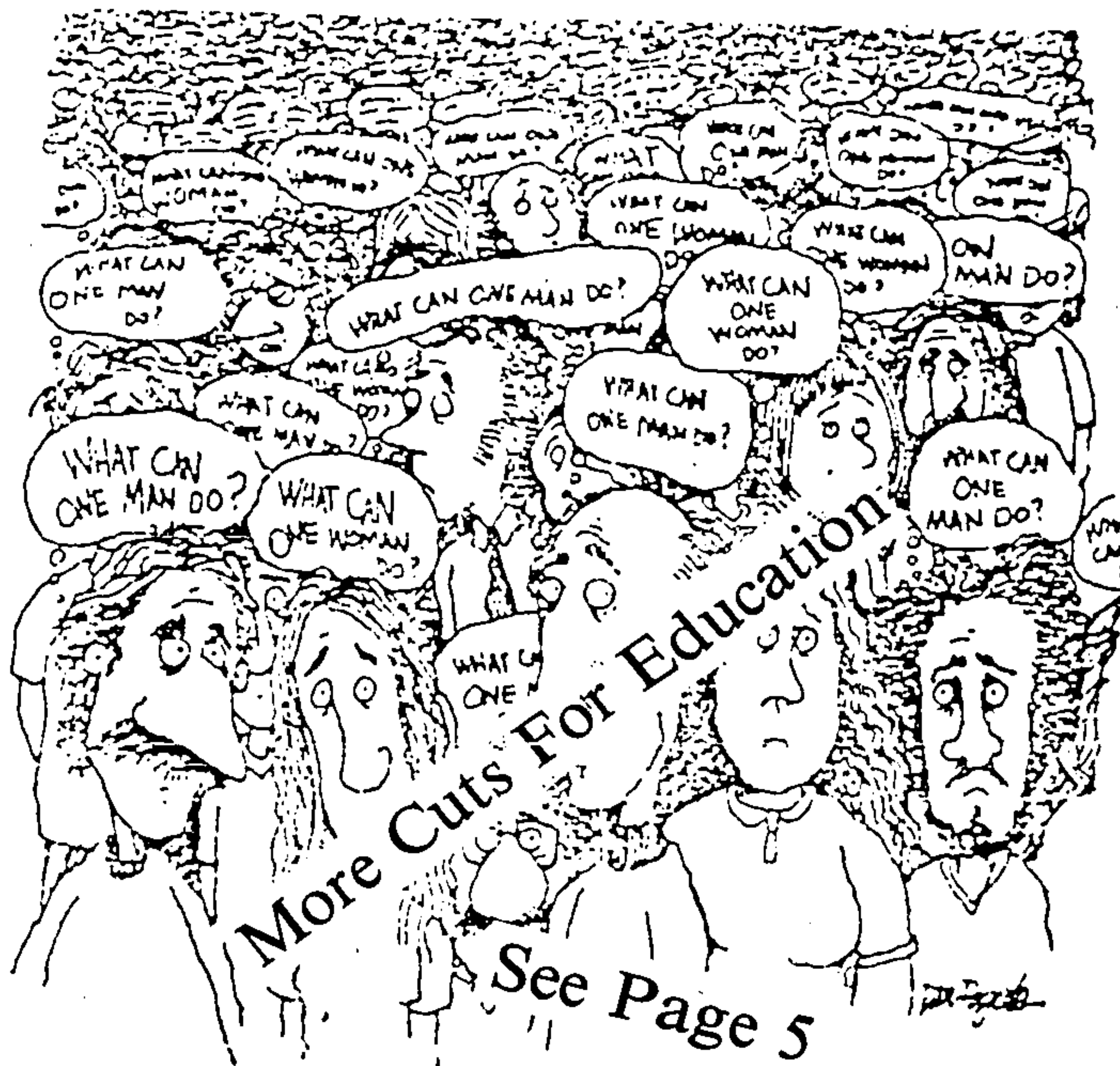


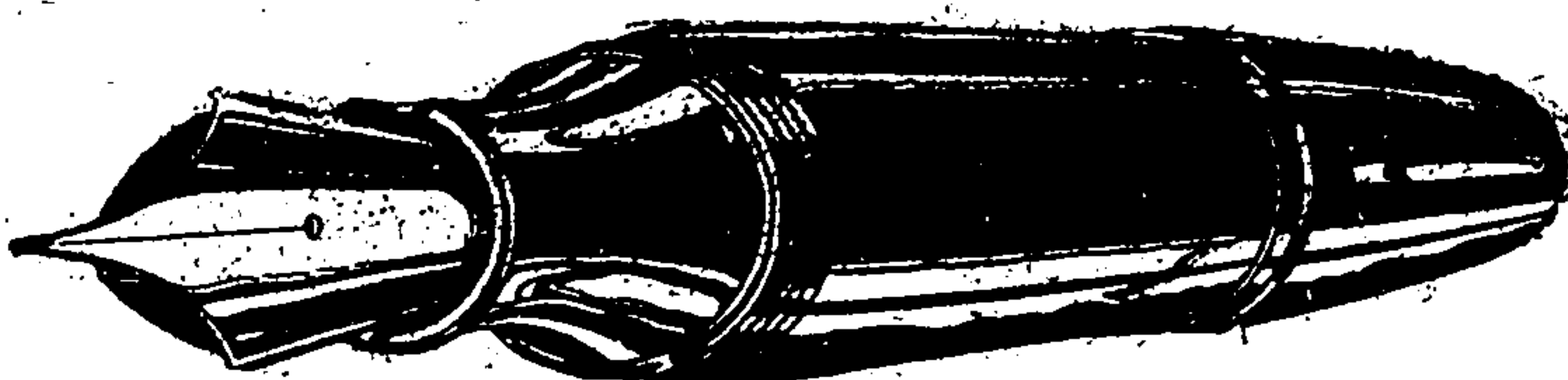
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# From the Editor's Pen

by Carolyn Gaunt



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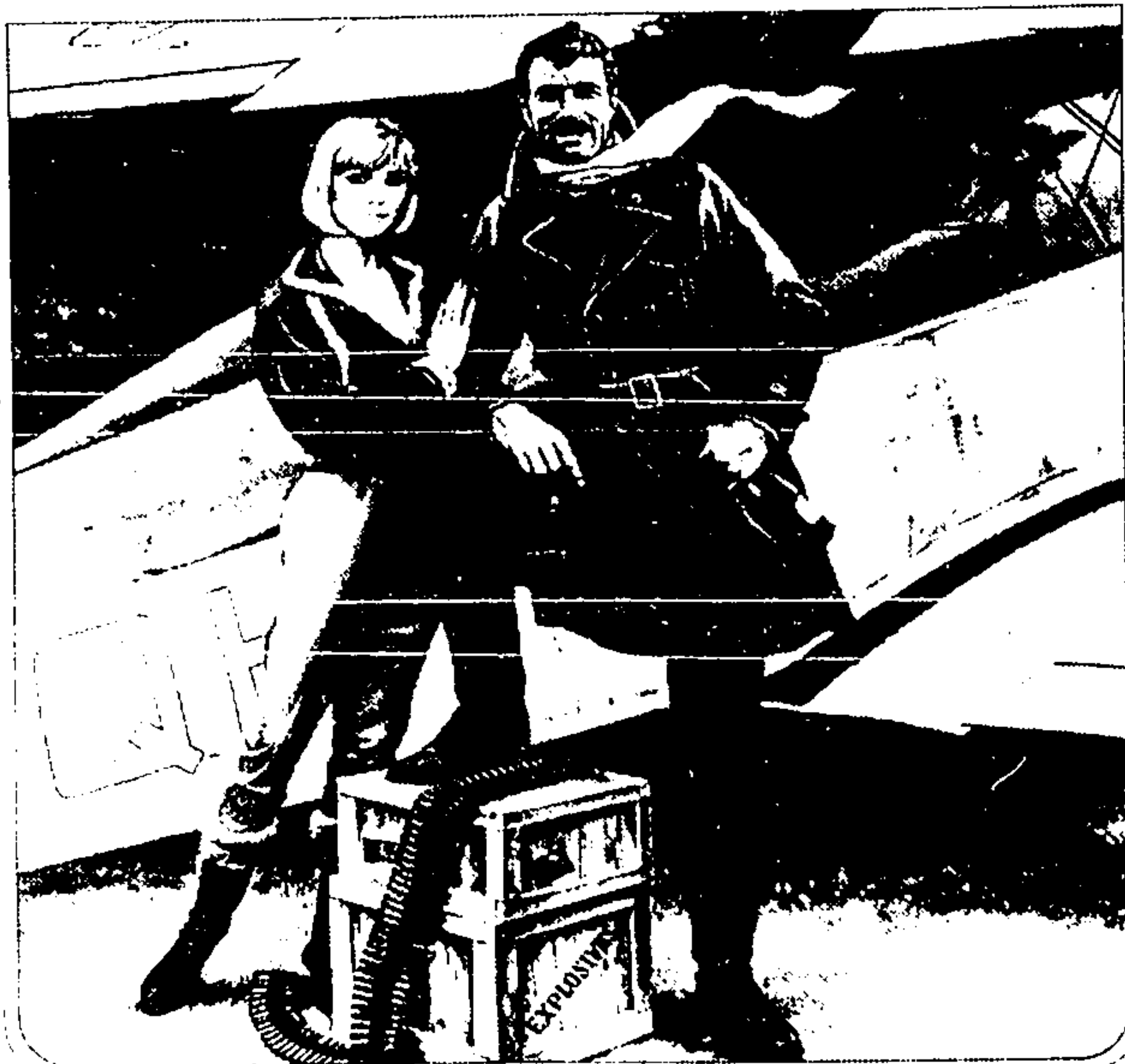
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## OSAP Budget Disappointing

TORONTO--The recent announcement of the 1983-84 Ontario Student Awards Plan was "extremely disappointing", said CFS-O/OFS chairperson Helena Mitchell. "The minimal increase in the OSAP budget does nothing to address the problems that students have in financing their education. The government remains insensitive to the difficulties that students encounter when trying to gain employment at a time when the job market is abysmal"

The \$9.6 million increase in the OSAP budget represents only an 8% increase, and is nowhere the amount needed to cover the increasing number of applicants for the programme. Mitchell noted that applications from 1982-83 were up 29% over 1981-82, an increase that was partially due to high unemployment last summer. With projected student unemployment rates hovering around the 20% mark, there is a strong likelihood that OSAP applications will increase again next year.

The Ministry of Colleges and Universities also announced that it would freeze costs and allowances for both the grant and loan portion of the programme. This will prove a disaster for many students who will be expected to live on personal and living allowances of \$85 per week again next year. CFS-O/OFS researcher Jeanne Stephens estimates that for

1983-84 the allowance will represent a shortfall of \$38 to \$52 per week, or \$14500 to \$1900 per academic year, depending upon place of residence in Ontario.

"To maintain the personal and living allowance at \$85 per week only further demonstrates the condescending attitude of the government that students can exist on almost nothing," said Stephens. "The sales tax imposed by the Ontario government last June, combined with a rate of inflation still expected to rise by seven or eight per cent next year, eats away at student budgets in a manner that the Ministry in its assessments refuses to recognize," she said.

The Federation is also dismayed, says Mitchell, that summer earning requirements have not been rolled back from \$70 to \$60 per week. "Despite continued lobbying on behalf of our members, the Ministry had chosen to ignore our recommendations," she said.

The CFS-O/OFS leader added that the Federation will continue to review the government's performance under the awards programme, and that it will continue to urge it to make all the necessary adjustments.

The 230,000-member Federation sees student aid improvements as an integral part of its campaign this spring for "Quality, Access and Jobs." The campaign was highlighted by a lobby and rally on Wednesday, March 23 - Ontario Student Day - to be held at Queen's Park.



## Indians Want To Build

TORONTO (CUP)—Canadian native leaders say they are tired of the welfare state.

Gathered at the University of Toronto Feb. 27 for a conference on native perspectives on the constitution, native leaders expressed frustration with the continued status of Indians as wards of the federal government.

'We want enough of Canada's resources so that we can build our own economy,' said George Erasmus, president of Dene Nation. 'We want don't want to be acted upon anymore. We want to build. We want to create.' Canada's status Indian organization, the Assembly of First Nations, is fighting to have the aboriginal right self-gov-

ernment entrenched in the Canadian constitution.



'There is no concept among any of the Indian nations that they surrendered their right to self-determination,' Erasmus said.

Joe Miskokomon, president of the Union of Ontario Indians, said that if they don't achieve self-government through the Canadian constitutional process they will take their case before the United Nations and international human rights tribunals.

Wally McKay, grand chief of the Nishnawbe-Aski Nation, joined other chiefs in criticizing provisions in the Indian Act that prevent band councils from exercising their prerogative as Indian governments.

'When you are given the right to administer your own welfare payments, that's not self-gov-

ernment, that's just administering your own miseries,' McKay said.

Native leaders said that building a strong financial base for Indian communities is necessary in developing native autonomy.

The Union of Ontario Indians wants the federal government to transfer trust funds currently

held for Indian bands to corporate institutions developed and controlled by Indians.

Further proposals for self-determination are being presented to the House of Commons sub-committee on Indian self-government, currently holding cross-Canada hearings. □



## First Debate

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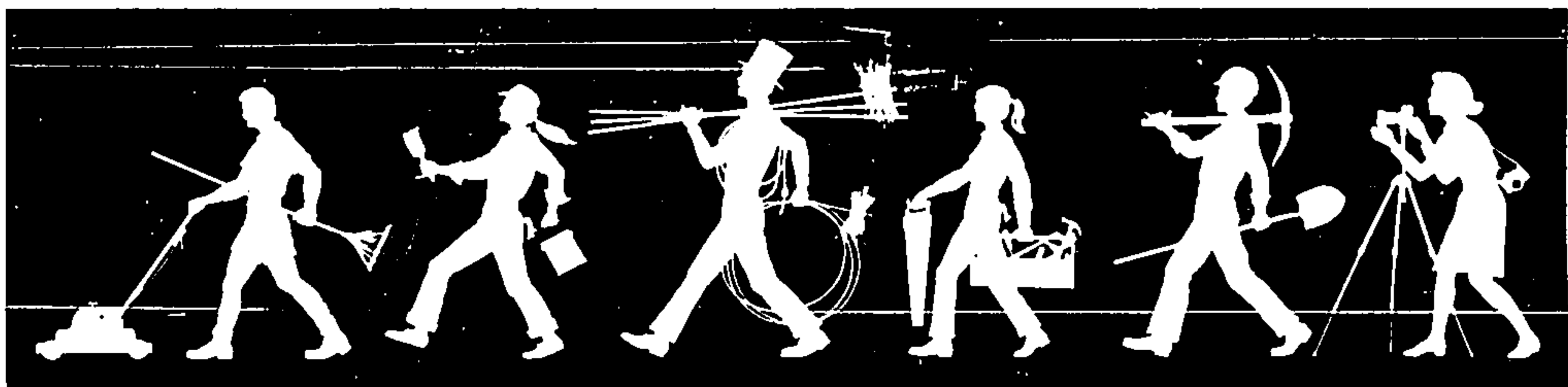
## Faculty

The first Debate Forum sponsored by the History Society was held the Monday before last. Twenty people chose to act upon this opportunity to discuss publicly a contemporary issue.

Selected randomly from a list of possible topics was the item for the day - Canadian Culture Is a Myth. For this first Forum the teams consisted of representatives of the department of History Faculty who asserted the myth thesis, against students of the same department who, by the flip of a coin, chose to defend our culture. After an interesting debate it was determined that the faculty had presented itself better and were thus awarded 'the win'.

The format of the Forum was such that it provided a period of open discussion. Members of the audience were permitted to address questions to the panels as well as present alternative opinions. The Forum allowed for an exchange of ideas in a manner that spawns new ones.

Being such the History Society will be sponsoring bi-monthly Debate Forums in an effort to encourage students to further expand their academic horizons. This invitation to exercise the mind is open to all students. The next Forum will be held in Conference Room A (across from the Great Hall) Mon. March 28 at 2:30 p.m. Anyone interested in debating in the Forum is urged to attend a meeting this Friday the 25th in room A200 at 2:30 p.m. That which is universal can be found at Laurentian. □



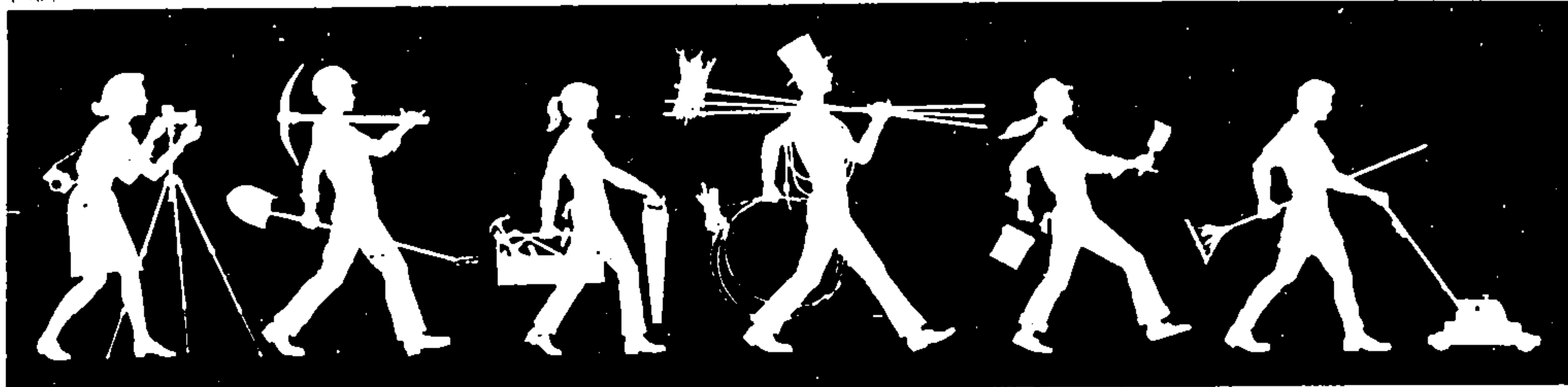
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#### A Group

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McLeod over Hrytsak	McRae	2	1	1
Fox over Hrytsak	McLeod	2	2	0
	Mirka	2	2	0
	Fox	2	3	0
	Hrytsak	1	4	0
	Burrows	0	3	0

Burrows and Dubblestyne had their game rescheduled for this week

#### B Group

Lawlor over O'Bumsawin	Delich	4	0	0
Longmore over MacPherson	Beckett	3	1	0
Beckett over Delbrocco	O'Bumsawin	2	2	0
Delich over Booth	Longmore	2	2	0
	MacPherson	2	2	0
	Booth	1	3	0
	Delbrocco	1	3	0
	Lawlor	1	3	0

#### C Group

Turcotte over Regimbal	Turcotte	4	0	0
Kampu over Cummings	Kampu	3	0	1
Bullock over Kadwell	Cummings	2	2	0
McDougall over Lusk	Kadwell	2	2	0
	McDougall	2	2	0
	Regimbal	1	2	1
	Bullock	1	3	0
	Lusk	0	4	0

## Intramural Badminton Tournament

The weekend of March 12th and 13th was set for the Laurentian Intramural Badminton Tournament.

Super badminton had taken place Saturday with the Women's Doubles and Men's Singles being played. In the Women's Doubles division, four teams battled it out in a round-robin schedule. Lia Gallo and Lisa Johnston finished the round-robin in first place going undefeated. Yvonne Rolfvonder-Baumen and Arlene Barnai finished second, losing only to Lia Gallo and Lisa Johnston. These two teams advanced to the finals. The team of Gallo and Johnston came out on top defeating Barnai and Rolfvonder-Baumen 2 games to 0.

In the Singles double elimination tournament, Claudedelorme defeated Johnson Soon in a long match to win the Singles 'A' side, scores were 15-5 and

15-7. On the 'B' side of the Singles draw, Braydon Wong and Kwong Yu Chan went to 3 games. Braydon Wong outlasted his opponent to win the Singles 'B', scores were 15-11, 17-18, 18-16.

The stage was set for Sunday for the Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles competing in a round-robin tournament.

The mixed doubles draw had 5 teams. Only 4 teams advanced to the semi-finals. In one semi-final Colleen Zilio and James Koronovich were defeated 2-0 by Patty Chan and Johnston Soon. The other semi-finals had Claude Delorme and Lia Gallo defeating Chong and Tan 2 games to 0.

In the finals Claude Delorme and Lia Gallo defeated Patty Chan and Johnston Soon 15-7, 18-15, to take the Mixed Doubles title.

The Men's Doubles had two Pools with four teams in each.

The top two teams in each Pool advance to the semi-finals. Yit Quek Chew and Jimmy Ong advanced to the finals defeating Gilles Kingsley and Jerrol Bruser 18-16, 15-7.

In the other semi-finals, Braydon Wong and K.K. Poon beat Johnson Soon and K.Y. Chan 15-4, 5-15, 15-5, to advance to the finals.

In the finals, Braydon Wong and K.K. Poon controlled the match from the beginning. They defeated Y.Q. Chew and J. Ong 15-4, 15-6 to take the Men's Doubles finals.

Congratulations to all players for a fine badminton weeked. Special thank you to Ray's Trophy Talent and Engraving for donating the beautiful trophies for the winners.

Phil Legault,  
Convenor.

## "Grand Plot To Destroy Education"

By Glen Sanford  
for the Canadian University Press

VANCOUVER- Interviewing Ohil Link is distressing.

He seems to reflect the doom of post-secondary education in his worried face and frantic gestures. He speaks like

someone trying to describe the assault on post-secondary education before the next cutback announcement comes-and it's hard to take notes.

But worse, Link has the aura of someone in the middle of a crisis-even when he's joking.

Link is the Executive Officer of the Canadian Federation of Students-Pacific. And he's the

ideal candidate for an ulcer.

'I don't know if any of this stuff is newsworthy,' he blurts out after a rapid-fire list of education budget-cutting casualties. 'I'm just trying to give you the big picture,' he laughs nervously, 'the grand plot to destroy education as we know it.'

Grand plot to destroy education. Ha ha. I check the casualty list. Link's 'Big picture' ties everything from the elimination of labour studies programs to changes in student aid.

He talks about budget massacres like the \$20 million that was cut in mid-year from B.C. universities and colleges, and the 'optimistic' projection of no increase to the post-secondary budget next year. And while entire campuses and programs are eliminated, more students are trying to get into school.

'People are desperate to get any education they can,' Link says. 'They figure it's smarter to be learning something rather than sitting around on unemployment, even if they're not going to get a job.'

Meanwhile, another summer of high student unemployment and underemployment is expected. Last summer, at least 20 per cent of those seeking work could not find any type of job and Link says this summer will be worse. 'The kind of wages being offered are absurd. Every year they're further eroded by inflation.'

A 30 per cent increase in student aid applications is expected next year, but the government plans to freeze its spending on financial assistance. Universities minister Pat McGeer has discussed the possibility of turning student grants into loans will eliminate any savings, and tying aid to academic standings would be completely inequitable.

[see Grand Plot on page 6]

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## Cuts Will Really Hurt Education

OTTAWA (CUP)—Two federal ministers confirmed March 8 that the government will limit transfers to the provinces for post-secondary education to the 6 and 5 formula, but will spare transfers for health care.

The announcement was widely expected, although the manner and timing came as a surprise. Finance minister Marc Lalonde broke the news during question period in the House of Commons March 8.

Secretary of state Serge Joyal would ordinarily have made the announcement. Reporters surrounded him in a scrum outside the Commons after question period, and Joyal confirmed Lalonde's statement.

Bruce Tate, a Canadian Federation of Students researcher, said Joyal does not get along with Lalonde and was apparently angry at him for pre-empting Joyal's announcement. Tate said officials in Joyal's department are unsure how the government will cap education transfers because Lalonde's statement apparently surprised them.

Lalonde told the House that transfers for health care will not be reduced below increases planned according to the formula for Established Programs Financing. But EPF transfers are a lump sum used for both health care and education, and the federal government cannot

currently tell provinces how to allocate that money.

Joyal said it is unclear how the government will resolve this apparent contradiction. He said they may split EPF into health care and education components, or simply ask the provinces to make the brunt of the cuts in education.

Diane Flaherty, CFS executive officer, thinks it doesn't matter how deep the cuts are because whatever the result, education will suffer. She said Joyal told a recent meeting with provincial education ministers that the cuts will be to education and 'he didn't seem to meet with a lot of opposition'.

'The provincial governments

have clearly expressed that their impression of public opinion is that health care is a lot more dangerous to cut,' Tate said.

As with most federal-provincial dealings, all the interested parties have different sets of figures on how big the cut will be. The federal government claims it will mean a \$102 million cut in 1983-84 to the nearly \$4 billion transferred to post-secondary education; the opposition says it will be much higher.

The six and five formula in this case will actually mean seven and six, because the government will allow for one per cent increase in Canada's population each year.

But the cuts come as no surprise to CFS.

Since 1976 the federal government has been making it very obvious that as part of their so-called economic program for recovery social services, with education in the forefront, will bear the brunt of their economic policies,' Tate said.

Flaherty said the latest round of cuts will only bring further decay to a system already in trouble. She pointed to the conclusion of the 1981 Breaux report, a Parliamentary task force on post-secondary education with a Liberal majority.

'The MPs agreed unanimously there's no fat left in the post-secondary system,' said Flaherty. 'And they've been cutting ever since.'

## Cruise Missile Controversy Heats

TORONTO—The federal government should not allow testing or manufacturing of the Cruise Missile in Canadian territory because its size, port-



territory because its size, portability and computerized guidance system make it a dangerous first-strike weapon, says Ian Nemes, chairperson of the ZCFS-O/OFS Peace and Disarmament Committee.

'Testing the Cruise in the Canadian north not only increases likelihood that Canada itself will become a battleground in a nuclear exchange, but it also makes us complicit if such terrifying weaponry is deployed in Europe or elsewhere in the world,' says Nemes.

CFS-O/OFS also supports the view that the government would better spend the subsidies it gives to private contractors involved in the manufacturing or testing of weapons of mass destruction—such as the \$18 million in Defence Industry Productivity Grants given to

Litton Industries, of Rexdale, Ontario—by diverting them to health and education. 'These are the areas where the federal government transfers revenues to the provinces under the Established Programmes Financing Act (EPF), but which are at present being slashed by hundreds of millions of dollars,' says Nemes.

'It is a fact substantiated even by U.S. Government statistics, that the education sector is four to five times as job intensive as the military sector,' he said.

'Nevertheless the government insists upon wasting our money and sully country's reputation as a peacemaker by promoting such events as last week's "Arms Bazaar" in Ottawa.'

Nemes called upon post-secondary students interested in peace and disarmament issues to come to Queen's Park March 23 and join other students from around the province in a lobby and mass rally for "Quality, Access and Jobs" in post secondary education.

'The issues are related,' Nemes said. 'If the federal government would reduce its military spending increases for 1983-84 so that they only equalled the rate of inflation, the amount saved would be 2 1/2 times what the provinces are losing in the same period due to cuts in EPF cash transfers.'

Nemes asked students to support Easter Week peace activities in their communities and the "Refuse the Cruise" rallies at Queen's Park and elsewhere on April 23. He also urged students throughout the province to emulate the Students Administrative Council at the University of Toronto, which will be placing the Cruise Missile testing issue on the ballot for its annual elections, March 16-17.





## UC Formal Carries On The Tradition

After being ragged at for an unproductive past week, here we are again, trying to make up for it. We might as well start with the formal, since it was, as most would agree, one of the major social events of the year.

The Fat Finn, assured that an 'out of town' victory was at hand, was soon disappointed and was forced to greener pastures on eleventh. Other people struck out earlier, as their dates left the scene at eleven o'clock, introducing a new Guinness Book of U.C. record. (congratulations!)

Some girls are obviously not used to wearing high heels when they're impaired as demonstrat-

ed by Christine Gemmel's repeated 'belly flop' dives. Other forms of entertainment were provided by Pierre's flasky tie and outfit, the various floor pictures, and smoke-a-thons in the washrooms. Speaking of couples, a prize will be awarded to anyone who has proof of seeing Ray & Carolyn separated for even a split second that night. As for the previous years, the atmosphere was at first classy, quiet and classy (both unusual characteristics at U.C.), but after a great meal and a few drinks, the ties came off and were replaced by stains. The place livened up, and the party was under way. Despite the few disagreements

among couples, it was an overall successful event, and hopefully an indication that U.C. is still the large family and party place that it was in the past.

As tradition has it, the 'morning after' party saw UC's partying elite gathering at 9 a.m. in Chico's room, where all imaginable kinds of booze were consumed. After many skirts got ripped, many white telephones were used, and the girls were given a display of the best 'speedways' on campus, the wild bunch went bar-hopping downtown, this time joined by girls from all floors. Patsy and Johnny showed their secret talent by performing for us at the

Lido, while UC-ettes were performing at the Coulson in their long-johns. Overall, a great weekend!

The following weekend saw the annual UC curling bonspiel all day Friday, where all teams got dressed up for our own little Brier. Some amazing talent was shown, and congratulations go to the winning team: Norm, Ivan, Peggy and Sarah. Thanks Tony, for organizing the event.

That night Whit had us over at Single Students (about time that residence came to life!), where 13 draft balls and a few cans of that purple funny stuff were consumed. Door prizes were handed out at the end by Fish.

As nothing was scheduled for the next night, 8th and 9th decided to have a floor-crawl in which each room had a theme and everybody crawled from room to room, consuming one beer in each room, for 14 rooms.

Needless to say, it was a wild bash, which ended with a major gals vs. lads water fight..

Last week a few of the boys went on a Northern Breweries tour, which as expected, turned out to be a free drunk, as evidence by Zip's remains in the TV room, and by Bill Firchner's rented meal left on the city bus.

Oh yes, a happy birthday to Judy, Ziip, Shena, and whoever we have missed. Until next week (hopefully), your ever-loving,

WOP & OP.

## Bob Man Of The Week At Huntington

This week in Huntington, students glared up for year end activities.

I-J celebrated Steve Latto's birthday with dinner at the works. From all accounts the occasion was marked with enthusiasm and spirit. Unfortunately Ken McNeil was unable to attend.

This weeks Huntington personality of the week is Bob Jurk. Bob Hails from Burlington, Ontario is enrolled in first

year engineering. Bob likes to keep pretty much to himself these days. What with his heavy work load and all. Like most of us, Bob is suffering from a bad case of the March poldrums.

However, given time, Bob is sure he can bounce back. Bob is also good friends with many guys on second floor, including Ken McNeil. Bob's interests include watching television, reading, and making plans for his future. When asked about

his short-term goals, Bob says he is unsure but thinks he might like to transfer out of Laurentian University.

This week's coffee house was a massive success. Colleen and Karen did a fine job organizing and playing some popular tunes on the piano. Bobby also played his guitar. The highlight of the show however, had to be Lynne's intricate dance routine.

Not often do we see a performance of this calibre in

Huntington. Good work.

Elsewhere in Huntington, second year spad students found themselves with an enormous amount of work this week as their economics assignments came due. Many stayed up for days on end in order to complete their efforts successfully. When the work was done, they were ready for a party, and knew where to find it; Ken McNeil's room.

Also this week, John Alatalo threw a party for his huntington

friends. There were many students in attendance and they all seemed to have a good time.

Huntington highlight of the week: This week Ken McNeil announced his candidacy for SGA president. Ken McNeil is rapidly gaining support from all parts of the university and is very optimistic about his chances of winning.

However, in the interests of fairness to all candidates, this reporter will not comment further on the subject.

## The Votes Are In And The Winners Are

Elections were held and our new councils have been selected.

Tammy is the new CC Prez, Donna Honobety is the Rez Prez. Culture night was held with SD, EL, CL, DT and JG taking top honours in their respective categories. Third Gold did the RAMMS proud with all their entries. Maybe it's

time we stopped picking on them, eh? - No! We'll see after their party.

Speaking of parties, third red's sock hop was bopping good fun as those who attended could attest to, especially second gold, proving once again that they're really lushes at heart. Continuing their hanky

panky with a little outside spanky are JR & ST. MM is now engaged, girls- forbidden territory- that goes for you MP. Peace and tranquility has been restored to first brown. Hey, MR, have you spat on any posters lately? CM didn't make Stokers Box last week - how disturbing! Second brown

made it this week as their Irish eyes and wrists celebrated. Girls hockey lost again. Well, this is the third last edition of Stokers Box before September.

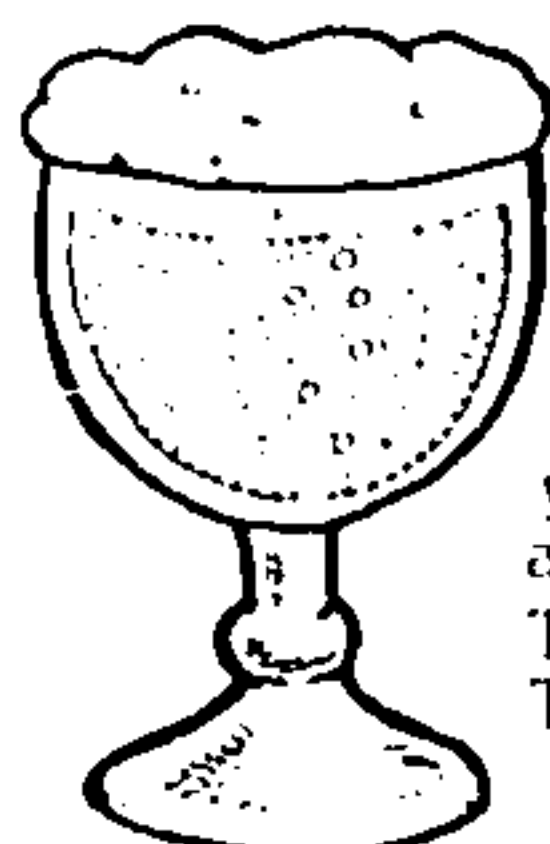
As people begin to burn the midnight oil, news becomes harder to find. But as more people stay up later, more victims of the U of S vampire

are seen sporting turtle-necks and neck rashes- just ask AL, DC & GR. So beware Stokers lest ye fall victim to our resident Dracula.

As the year draws to a close, remember: Friendship is a plant that we must often water.

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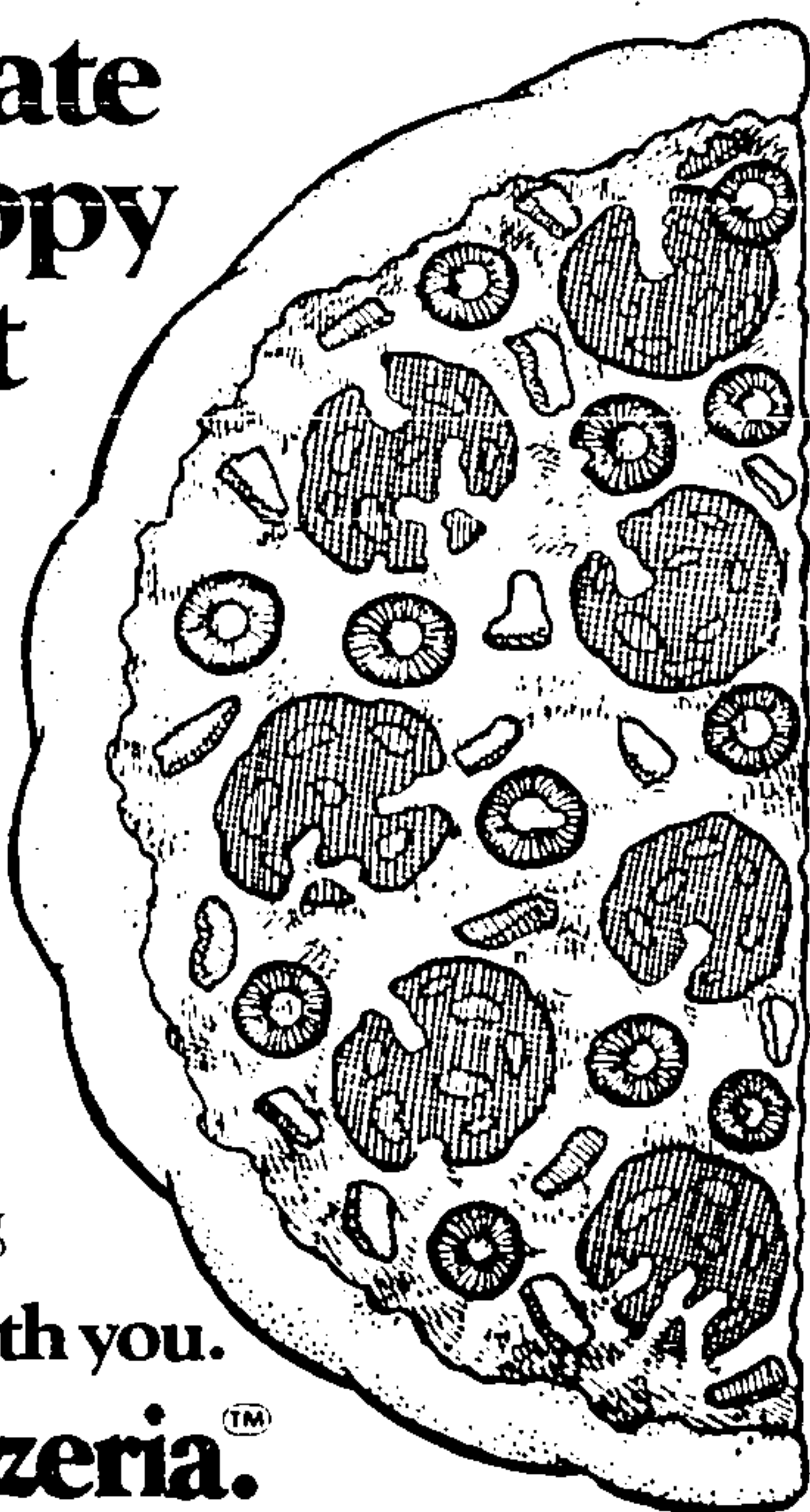
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## Grand Plot

'It's totally loony,' Link cackles. 'The administrative costs of turning grants into loans will eliminate any savings, and tying aid to academic standings would be completely inequitable.'

Meanwhile, several B.C. institutions have imposed enrolment restrictions for next year while others, like the University of Victoria, are raising academic requirements. Not only will there be more financial barriers to education, there will be tougher entrance requirements.

As Link gesticulates and spits out fact after fact, a sly but somewhat sad grin appears on his face.

'You see, things look really bad.'

He's not finished. Phone calls and visitors to the cramped federal office interrupt his spiel, but he never gets back to his point--government and business are interfering more and more with the shape of education.

Vocational training in B.C. was completely revolutionized in January, when the new

training access program was started. Like the federal government's National Training Act, it's an attempt by the B.C. government to slot students into specific areas based on job forecasts for future need.

Link's head bobs vigorously and he wrings his hands. 'You see what I mean, right? I mean, it's obvious, right? Like, they're making all these changes and stupid proposals without getting any input from anyone--it's kind of scary.'

So what is Link and CFS doing?

'Well, CFS is a federation, you know. It's up to the individual campuses to get stuff going.'

'Right now the government is putting up a lot of trial balloons and what happens depends on the kind of activity that takes place on campuses in the next few weeks. If there's not a lot of activity, the government will continue doing what it's doing.'

'I dunno. It's up to the students.' □





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# Recreational Drugs Have A History



by David Samuel

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Recreational drugs are nothing new. They have been around for centuries, although probably never has such a wide diversity been used by so many. As early as 1582, cases are recorded in Europe of ergot poisoning. Ergot is a naturally occurring fungus containing lysergic acid, commonly known as LSD.

While LSD is considered by many to be an extremely dangerous drug, the evidence is not yet complete. When Albert Hofmann first synthesized it in 1938, he did not realize its importance. In fact, it sat on the shelf for five years until Hofmann accidentally absorbed a minuscule amount through his fingertips.

LSD is still used extensively in psychiatric therapy, and Hofmann himself admits taking it as recently as 1970.

Clinically proven, permanent effects of LSD have not yet been accepted by the medical community. While some show that LSD causes somatosomal and genetic damage, as well as brain damage, other studies done on similar subjects under similar conditions have shown results to the contrary.

The only death possibly related to LSD use was that of 34-year-old male; the sole abnormality found in the autopsy was a high blood serum level of LSD. There were no other drugs found in his system. The amount of LSD in the deceased's blood was 320 milligrams - approximately 23 times the extrapolated lethal dose for humans.

One side effect of LSD that

has been well documented is the so-called 'panic reaction', so named for the feeling of extreme paranoia often caused by the drug. But one has never felt real paranoia until one has experienced the ill-fated attempt to talk to a policeman while one is on LSD.

## Legal Status

Cannabis and cocaine are classified as narcotics under the Canadian Narcotics Control Act. This means that both simple possession and possession for trafficking are illegal. For simple possession, a summary conviction can result in a \$1000 fine or six months imprisonment or both for a first offence, while a conviction on indictment can result in up to 7 years imprisonment. Trafficking and possession for trafficking are indictable offences and can result in life imprisonment.

The courts, however, are usually much more lenient than the law suggests, and are becoming even more tolerant. While the percent of convictions for possession of cannabis is resulting in a fine has remained the same (70% in 1972 and 70% in 1977), in recent years the percent of those discharged has doubled (from 12% in 1972 to 24% in 1977). And of those sentenced to imprisonment almost all were repeat offenders.

Cocaine convictions have been equally lenient. For example, recently in Montreal a first offender convicted of possession of 2 grams of cocaine was released with a fine and probation.

Amphetamine on the other hand is classified as a controlled drug under the Food and Drug Act, which means that while possession is not illegal, possession for the purposes of trafficking is punishable by up

to 18 months imprisonment for a summary conviction and up to 10 years for a conviction on indictment. The line between simple possession and possession for trafficking is very fine and often depends on the amount involved.

LSD, like psilocybin and psilocin, is classified as a restricted drug under the Food and Drug Act. This means that simple possession can result in a \$1000 fine or 6 months imprisonment or both for a first offence on a summary conviction, or up to \$5000 or 3 years imprisonment or both for a conviction on indictment. Possession for trafficking carries the same penalty as for controlled drugs.

Predating the European occurrences, it has been found that the Aztecs used a species of morning glory seed, *ololiuqui*, for its mystical healing properties. Analysis of the seed has shown that it contains *d-lyseric acid amide*, which has only one-tenth the potency of LSD.

Another drug used in North America is peyote, whose active ingredient is mescaline. Peyote has been used by the Indians of northern Mexico and the southwestern U.S. for centuries to relieve hunger and fatigue, as treatment for various diseases and in tribal rituals.

Magic mushrooms, whose active ingredients are psilocybin or psilocin, have also been used extensively by North American Indians in their religious festivals.

While cocaine was first isolated in the middle of the nineteenth century, and popularized by such personalities as Sigmund Freud and Sherlock Holmes, its crude form had been used in South America for centuries. The native people of the continent have been chewing the coca plant for over 1200 years in increase endurance and relieve fatigue.

Even though its first recorded use as an intoxicant was only in 1000 B.C. in India, cannabis had been used almost two millennia previously for its therapeutic effects. It has been recorded that the Emperor Shen-Nang prescribed its use as early as the twenty-eighth century B.C. in the treatment of gout, headache, nausea, and absent-mindedness.

## Physiological effects

It is generally accepted that cannabis in its various forms - marijuana, hashish and their resins - is a soft drug.

This however is a mistaken assumption.

Cannabis is fat soluble, unlike alcohol which is water soluble and is "flushed out of the body in about 12 hours. The former can remain in the body for up to 30 days no matter how small the dose. This also means that the cannabis ingested during this period will tend to have a cumulative effect and that for extended use the drug may stay in the body longer.

For men, one of the major effects of THC, the active ingredient of cannabis, is a decrease in testosterone production. A study done in 1974 showed that this hormone is suppressed an average of four percent per marijuana cigarette

smoked per week.

The study showed that males smoking ten or more joints per week had a significant decrease in sperm production and an increase in the number of abnormal sperms. Both these effects however, were found to be reversible after the subjects quit smoking marijuana.

In females the sex-related effects seem to be limited to pregnancy and post-pregnancy. A five-year study on Rhesus monkeys, completed in 1979, investigated the effects of THC on their reproductive system - which is very similar to the human reproductive system. Each day the monkeys were given the equivalent amount of THC as that found in one to three marijuana cigarettes.

The study found that the percentage of stillbirths was greatly increased in the THC treated monkeys - 42% loss vs. 8% loss in the control group.

Even among the surviving offspring an increased mortality rate was found. This however, was discovered to be due to an inability of the mother to lactate, another side-effect of THC. It has not yet been determined whether these effects are reversible.

Another study released in 1979 determined that the average joint has 50% more tar than high-tar cigarettes. The study also determined that because marijuana smoke is retained in the lungs much longer than tobacco smoke, the damage caused to the lungs by five marijuana cigarettes was equivalent to the damage caused by 112 cigarettes.

In studying the effect of marijuana on the brain, researchers determined that in subjects who used marijuana from three to ten times per week for at least 16 months, there were definite psychological

motor stimulants, and have some similar effects. The common symptoms include: tremors, anorexia, sleeplessness, hyperactivity, and agitation. The euphoria that is associated with cocaine is not always achieved in the use of amphetamines.

Contrary to the effects of marijuana, which tend to decrease male hormone production, one of the effects of the psychomotor stimulants is aphrodesia, and sometimes, increased sexual activity. This is attributed to the almost anesthetic effect of the drugs. They desensitize the genitals and often inhibit orgasm completely.

The cardiovascular effects of the drugs can sometimes be extremely dangerous. Cocaine has the effect of increasing the blood pressure and heart rate; amphetamines increase the blood pressure but decrease the heart rate. Both of these can result in strokes or heart failures.

Peyote and magic mushrooms are interesting substances from a physiological point of view. That is, while they are hallucinogens, it appears that they may be almost harmless. Studies done on Indian tribes show that there are no significant negative effects that can be attributed to long-term use of these substances.

Even among women who ingest peyote or magic mushrooms, there is no increase in the percentage of stillborn children or offspring born with birth defects.

The quantities involved can be fairly large. There was a case of a first offender convicted of possession of 83 tablets of LSD who was given a suspended sentence and probation. This will only work if the accused can find someone who will



effects. Symptoms include sluggish mental and physical responses, lack of goals, loss of interest in personal appearance, and a flattening of emotional response. Also noted was increased difficulty with recent memory and mental confusion.

The same study found that the severity of the symptoms was directly related to the duration of use. And even though the symptoms disappeared after the patients quit using marijuana, the time required for remission was also related to the duration and frequency of use.

Cocaine and amphetamines are both classified as psycho-

testify that the accused is a heavy user and that the amount in question is for his personal consumption.

The legal status of mushrooms and peyote was questionable until recently, because their active ingredients were illegal but possession was not. But the Supreme Court ruled in 1982 that possession of mushrooms indeed illegal even if they are "natural."

Although recreational drugs can be the source of many hours of fun and enjoyment, it is wise to temper one's intake with regard to the potential abuse to one's body and the perils of legal entanglement. □